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**Jane Kennedy and Professor Sir Barry Cunliffe CBE are reappointed as Commissioners of English Heritage**

Margaret Hodge, the Minister for Culture, announced today that Jane Kennedy and Professor Sir Barry Cunliffe CBE have been reappointed as Commissioners of English Heritage. Their 2<sup>nd</sup> terms of appointment will run from 15<sup>th</sup> February 2010 to 14<sup>th</sup> February 2014.

**Biographical notes**

Jane Kennedy is an architect with 30 years' experience in historic buildings, both in private practice and as a Conservation Officer in local government. She is a senior partner in Purcell Miller Tritton LLP and is architect to Ely, Newcastle and Christ Church (Oxford) Cathedrals. During her 1<sup>st</sup> term as an English Heritage Commissioner, she served as a member of the Finance Committee and of the Places of Worship Forum and chaired the Estates Peer Review Panel. She has undertaken no political activity during the past five years.

Professor Sir Barry Cunliffe's university career spans more than 40 years. After teaching at Bristol and Southampton Universities, he moved on to become Chair of European Archaeology at Oxford in 1972, retiring in 2007. During his long career in archaeology, Sir Barry has served as President of the Council for British Archaeology and of the Society of Antiquaries, Governor of the Museum of London as a member of the Ancient Monuments Board, and as a Trustee of the British Museum. Currently, he is a Trustee of the Mary Rose. He has excavated widely, published numerous books on archaeology and for several years presented the Radio 4 programme Age to Age. Sir Barry was appointed by the Secretary of State as Interim Chairman of English Heritage from 17 September 2008 to 26 July 2009, following the death of Lord Bruce Lockhart. During his recent term as a Commissioner of English Heritage, he chaired the English Heritage Advisory Committee and served on the Research Advisory Panel and the Remuneration and Human Resources Committee. He has undertaken no political activity during the past five years.

**Background**

English Heritage (EH) is the public body with responsibility for all aspects of protecting and promoting the historic environment. It is the statutory adviser to the Secretary of State for Culture, Media & Sport on listing and heritage matters, manages over 400 historic properties, and disburses some £35 million a year in conservation and archaeology grants. English Heritage is also responsible for the



National Monuments Record, the central archive for the historic environment in England. The Commission is the governing body of English Heritage, and the Commissioners have corporate responsibility for the organisation.

EH Commissioners receive an allowance which directly reflects the level of responsibilities undertaken, such as chairing an Advisory Committee and/or duties as a regional Commissioner. The remuneration range is currently **£4,090 to £9,340 per annum**

These reappointments have been made in accordance with the OCPA Code of Practice. Appointments are made on merit and political activity plays no part in the selection process.